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PLEASE PASS TREASURY AND CONGRESSWOMAN CARDISS COLLINS AND
CONGRESSMAN CHARLES C. DIGGS, JR.

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TAGS: OREP(DIGGS, CHARLES C., JR.), AFDB

SUBJECT: COEEL DIGGS VISIT TO AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

1. CONGRESSWOMAN CARDISS COLLINS, MEMBER OF CODEL DIGGS, AC-
COMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR, PAID COURTESY VISIT TO AFRICAN
DEVELOPMENT BANK ON JULY 9. SHE WAS RECEIVED BY VICE
PRESIDENTS OMEISH AND NEGRE, THE FORMER ACTING AS PRESIDENT.

2. MRS. COLLINS EXPRESSED HER INTEREST IN THE BANK AND
HER STRONG SUPPORT FOR U.S. MEMBERSHIP IN THE AFRICAN
DEVELOPMENT FUND. SHE NOTED THAT LEGISLATION HAD BEEN
REINTRODUCED IN THE PRESENT SESSION OF CONGRESS FORMEMBER-
SHIP AND A U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO THE FUND.

3. AFDB OFFICIALS THANKED MRS. COLLINS FOR HER INTEREST AND SUPPORT
AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THE U.S. WOULD SOON JOIN. THEY
DESCRIBED AFDB AND AFDF PROJECTS AND PLANS IN SAHELIAN
COUNTRIES.

4. THEY REPORTED THAT THE RECENT PLEDGING SESSION HAD
RECOMMENDED SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE FUND OF 300,000,000 UNITS
OF ACCOUNT FOR THE 1976-79 PERIOD. SMITH

NOTE BY OCT: NOT PASSED TREASURY.

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